

### REMARKS

The specification has been amended to insert a cross reference to the PCT application and the Japanese priority application.

The claims have been amended to delete multiple dependencies and to change "Aeromonas caviae" to --*Aeromonas caviae*-- and "Ralstonia eutropha" to --*Ralstonia eutropha*--.


Examination in light of these amendments is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at 202-220-4200 to discuss any matter in connection with this application.

The Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 to the Kenyon & Kenyon Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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